

## Arizona Watershed Partnership Groups

Name of Partnership	Watershed Area	Primary Objectives	When and Where Meeting	Contact
<b>Bill Williams Watershed</b>				
Upper Bill Williams	The Upper Bill Williams watershed area is approximately defined by the Kirkland Creek watershed, a 405 square mile drainage, which is tributary to the Santa Maria River.	Mission is to manage and protect the water resource, water quality, and water rights. Advocates local control over our water resources and land use. Objectives are: - Ensure that surface and ground water resources are maintained at the current balance, to support irrigation, ranching, and domestic uses, as well as maintain excellent waterfowl and wildlife habitat. - Disseminate information so that citizens are well-informed of events and legislative activity that may impact them. - Cooperate with other rural watershed groups to influence favorable water legislation for rural areas.	3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month Skull Valley Community Center	Sondra Wilkening, secretary, (928) 925-6434 <a href="mailto:westwindsinc@yahoo.com">westwindsinc@yahoo.com</a> Troy Suter (928) 442-3885
<b>Colorado - Grand Canyon Watershed and Colorado - Lower Gila Watershed</b>				
Northwest Arizona Watershed Council	The area is defined by three groundwater basins: Hualapai Valley Basin and Sacramento Valley Basin in the Colorado - Grand Canyon, and the Big Sandy Basin in the Colorado - Lower Gila Watershed	Goal is to protect and preserve water and educate the public. The council recognizes the need for more information to adequately model supply and demand equations and relate these to general plans for development. Identifies and cleans up illegal dumping and other nonpoint source pollution.	Mohave County Public Library, 3269 N. Burbank, Kingman, Az. 4 pm 3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month	Elna Roundy (928) 757-2818 Earl Engelhardt (928) 692-1068 <a href="mailto:imsprit@kingmanaz.net">imsprit@kingmanaz.net</a>
<b>Little Colorado - San Juan Watershed</b>				
Little Colorado River Multi Objective Management Group (LCR MOM)	This immense watershed covers nearly 27,000 square miles in northeast Arizona and northwest New Mexico.	The LCR MOM vision is to maintain and enhance the quality of life in this watershed through science and tradition based management of natural resources, in a way that ensures equity among shared interests, respects diverse cultural values, preserves environmental health of our land, while promoting appropriate economic growth and financial security of present and future generations.  The focus issues include: - Cultural resource preservation; - Economic development and recreation; - Education outreach; - Erosion and sediment control; - Flood loss reduction; - Water quality and quantity improvement; and - Watershed management enhancement.	Every other 3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesday, for 2 days Holbrook or Winslow	Jim Boles (928) 289-2422 Dennis Chandler (928) 524-6063, Ext.5 <a href="mailto:dennis.chandler@az.usda.gov">dennis.chandler@az.usda.gov</a>
Show Low Creek	Show Low Creek drainage from Pinetop Springs and Thompson Springs to Fools Hollow Lake.	This grass roots group works to effect changes that will benefit the water quality and quantity. They are a member of the LCR MOM.	Meet on an as needed basis.	Tom Thomas (928) 368-8885 <a href="mailto:tthomas@ci.pinetop-lakeside.az.us">tthomas@ci.pinetop-lakeside.az.us</a>
Silver Creek Advisory Commission	The Silver Creek drainage area	They are a member of the LCR MOM.	2 <sup>nd</sup> Monday of the month Holbrook	Ron Solamon (928) 536-7366 Kerry Ballard (928) 536-2539 <a href="mailto:kballard@usa.net">kballard@usa.net</a>
Upper Little Colorado River Watershed Partnership	The Little Colorado River drainage above Lyman Lake	They are a member of the LCR MOM.	3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month. Springerville	Bill Greenwood (928) 333-4128 (x-226) <a href="mailto:bgreenwood@eagar.com">bgreenwood@eagar.com</a>

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<b>Middle Gila Watershed</b>				
Tres Rios River Management Group  Federally sponsored by the US Army Corp of Engineers and locally sponsored by the City of Phoenix.	Watershed is the Salt River and Gila River drainage delineated by approximately Southern Ave (north) Baseline Ave (south), 83 <sup>rd</sup> Ave (east), and Agua Fria River (west).	The issues identified by this group include: - Stressors identified (inorganic and organic chemicals, pesticides, PBCs, and low dissolved oxygen); - Flood flows; - Agricultural storm water runoff; - Agricultural irrigation drainage and dewatering; - Concentrated animal feeding operation discharges; - Wastewater treatment plant discharges; - Landfill leachate; - Ground water inflow; - Sand and gravel area releases; and - Degradation of wildlife habitat.	Steering committee meets on the third Wednesday of the month.	Alice Brawley-Chesworth (City of Phoenix) (602) 262-1828 <a href="mailto:alice.brawleychesworth@phoenix.gov">alice.brawleychesworth@phoenix.gov</a>
Upper Agua Fria Watershed Partnership	Aqua Fria River drainage area, excluding the Prescott AMA and the Phoenix AMA.	Water quality and water quantity issues identified by this group include: fast growth and development in the Prescott AMA; ranching/grazing issues; leaking underground storage tanks; illegal dumping along streams and in the National Monument; and water legal rights.	2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month, meeting usually at Arcosanti	Mary Hoadley (928) 632-7135 <a href="mailto:earthhous@aol.com">earthhous@aol.com</a>
<b>Salt Watershed</b>				
Friends of Pinto Creek	Pinto Creek is a tributary to the Salt River and Roosevelt Lake.	Dedicated to the preservation of Pinto Creek, Powers Gulch, and Haunted Canyon.	Meet as needed	Tom Sonandres 623 583-6764 <a href="mailto:pintocreek@asu.edu">pintocreek@asu.edu</a>
Northern Gila County Water Planning Alliance (a.k.a. Mogollon Highlands)	Watershed is bounded by the Mogollon Rim to the north, Roosevelt Lake to the south, Sierra Ancha Mountains to the east, and Mazatzal Mountains to the west.	The Northern Gila County Water Plan Alliance formed to develop water strategies for the area around Payson, Pine and Strawberry along the Mogollon Rim. The area also is known as the Tonto Creek basin.	1 <sup>st</sup> Thursday of the month Star Valley	Ron Christensen, Chair (928) 474-2029 Lionel Martinez, Rim Trail Water Improvement District (928) 474-2029 Howard Matthews, Pine-Strawberry WID (928) 476-2142 Robert Mawson, Program Coordinator, (928) 473-2233 <a href="mailto:rmawson@cablene.net">rmawson@cablene.net</a>
<b>San Pedro - Willcox Playa - Rio Yaqui</b>				
Campomocho-Sacaton Watershed Group	Watershed is a 42,000 acre sub-watershed of the Willcox Playa including: Gillman Canyon, Apache Canyon, Reservoir Canyon, Sacaton Wash, an unnamed drainage (referred to as Big Draw) and Campomocho Draw. This area falls almost entirely within the ranch boundaries of Hook Open A Ranch and Redtail Ranch.	The group's primary objective is to implement conservation practices that will improve watershed health, improve water quality, and reduce downstream flood damages. Practices are specifically aimed at reducing soil erosion and water runoff, increasing ground cover, and improving wildlife habitat to reduce negative economic impacts.	Quarterly meetings at Willcox	Donna Matthews (520) 384-2229, ext 122 <a href="mailto:donna.matthews@az.usda.gov">donna.matthews@az.usda.gov</a> Dan Skinner at <a href="mailto:dskinner@goldtechind.com">dskinner@goldtechind.com</a>

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Upper San Pedro Partnership	1,875 square mile basin from the Mexico border north to "the Narrows." The Huachuca, Mustang, Whetstone, and Rincon Mountains form the basin's western boundary and the Mule, Dragoon, Little Dragoon, and Winchester Mountains form the eastern boundary.	Purpose of the partnership is to coordinate and cooperate in the identification, prioritization and implementation of comprehensive policies and projects to assist in meeting water needs in the Sierra Vista Sub-watershed of the Upper San Pedro River Basin.	2 <sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month Sierra Vista	George Michael, Coordinating manager (520) 378-4046 <a href="mailto:gmichael2@mindspring.com">gmichael2@mindspring.com</a> Bob Strain, Chairman Advisory Council 520 459-4763
Middle - Lower San Pedro Partnership	San Pedro River drainage area, between the Narrows near Charleston, Arizona, and its confluence with the Gila River at Winkelman, Arizona.	This grass roots group works to effect changes that will benefit the water quantity and quality.	Meetings as needed	Resource Conservation and Development Agency: Sharon Reid (520) 586-3347 <a href="mailto:spvnrcd@theriver.com">spvnrcd@theriver.com</a>
<b>Santa Cruz - Rio Magdalena - Rio Sonoyta Watershed</b>				
Friends of the Santa Cruz River	Watershed includes the entire Santa Cruz River; however, the group generally focuses on the stretch from the international border to the Santa Cruz County - Pima County boundary.	Major issues of concern being addressed by this group include: - Maintaining existing flow, ground water pumping, and population growth demands; - Flood control and land uses; - Impacts on water quality of land uses, off road vehicles, public access, illegal dumping; - Monitoring water quality; - Understanding economics and resource management; - Maintaining wilderness experience, cultural and historic uses, river oasis, habitat improvements, control of exotic species, and protection of endangered species; and - Weaknesses in international planning and cooperation.	3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month Tubac	Ben Lomeli, President (520) 281-4904
Pima Association of Governments (PAG) Watershed Planning Subcommittee	Santa Cruz River watershed, focusing on the portion within Pima County.	The subcommittee provides a forum for exchanging information among stakeholders, conducting technical review of proposals and plans, and advising decision makers on matters affecting the Santa Cruz River watershed. The subcommittee coordinates with PAG's Stormwater Management Working Group and reports to PAG's broader Environmental Planning Advisory Committee.	Quarterly meetings - 3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday of first month of quarter 177 N. Church, Tucson	website: <a href="http://www.pagnet.org/WQ/participation.htm">http://www.pagnet.org/WQ/participation.htm</a> e-mail: <a href="mailto:wq@pagnet.org">wq@pagnet.org</a>
<b>Upper Gila Watershed</b>				
Gila Watershed Partnership	Gila River Watershed is about 6,000 square miles, extending from the New Mexico border to the Coolidge Dam (San Carlos Reservoir).	Objectives: - Conserve natural resources and enhance the environment, while maintaining or improving the economy; - Increase water quality and improve water quantity; - Increase recreational opportunities; and - Collaborate among partners and neighbors in New Mexico and the San Carlos Apache Tribe within the watershed.	2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month in Graham County General Services building in Safford.	Jan Holder (928) 348-4577 <a href="mailto:watershedholder@yahoo.com">watershedholder@yahoo.com</a>
Eagle Creek	Eagle Creek is a sub-watershed within the Upper Gila Watershed.		As needed on Saturdays	Chase Caldwell, (480) 635-1245

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<b>Verde Watershed</b>				
North Central Arizona Regional Watershed Consortium (NCARWC)	Verde River Watershed, largely defined by Yavapai County boundaries.	Formed to accomplish cooperative regional water management and reduce argument over water rights. Believes that a unified and knowledgeable voter base in rural Arizona may be able to effect the needed changes in Arizona water laws and statues.	Meeting times and places vary. Contact president (currently Barbara Litrell).	Barbara Litrell, President (928) 649-0135 <a href="mailto:blitrell@aol.com">blitrell@aol.com</a> Bill Goss <a href="mailto:bill@billgoss.net">bill@billgoss.net</a> Anita Rochelle <a href="mailto:anitar772002@yahoo.com">anitar772002@yahoo.com</a>
Northern Gila County Water Plan Alliance (See the Salt Watershed)				
Oak Creek Canyon Task Force	Oak Creek is a sub-watershed of the Verde River.	Task Force goals: - Conserve natural resources and enhance the environment for wildlife and human uses; - Sustain and improve recreational opportunities; - Improve water quantity and quality; - Reduce damage due to storms, floods, human activities, or natural disasters; and - Engage public and governmental involvement through outreach and education.	2 <sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month Sedona	Barry Allen (623) 551-8804 <a href="mailto:nelsonallan@earthlink.net">nelsonallan@earthlink.net</a> Morgan Stine <a href="mailto:morgan@direcway.com">morgan@direcway.com</a>
Stoneman Lake Property Owners Association	This closed basin (no outflow from the lake) is a 900 acre lake drainage area, located 40 miles south of Flagstaff.	Mission is to preserve the pristine environment that is Stoneman lake and to foster harmony and cooperation among neighbors to maintain the peace and tranquility so highly valued in the community.	Meeting times and places may vary.	Chris Estes, President (480) 585-5772 <a href="mailto:cklestes@msn.com">cklestes@msn.com</a> Bill McPeters, V. Pres (602) 431-1513 <a href="mailto:wedigit@juno.com">wedigit@juno.com</a>
Verde Watershed Association	Verde Watershed	Goals: - Conserve natural resources and enhance the environment; - Sustain, improve, and diversify recreational opportunities; - Improve water quality and quantity; - Sustain, enhance, and improve the environment for wildlife; - Reduce damage from storms, floods, and human-made activities and/or natural disasters; and - Engage public and governmental involvement through public outreach and education.	3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month Prescott, Cottonwood, Camp Verde (varies)	Robert Hardy (928) 634-5526

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